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TO USDEL VLADIVOSTOCK IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY TOKYO IMMEDIATE

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TOSEC 356

FOL CAIRO 9473 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO TUNIS LONDON KHARTOUM
NOV 23; REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

S E C R E T CAIRO 9473

DEPARTMENT PASS TO TOKYO AND VLADIVOSTOCK AS APPROPRIATE

E.O. 11652: XGDS

TAGS: PINS, OGEN

SUBJ: HIJACKED VC-10

REF: STATE 259127, STATE 258025

1. HAVE CHECKED WITH SIRRI, WHO WAS ASLEEP AT HOME. HIS INITIAL
REACTION WAS THAT STORY (PARA 1, REFTEL) WAS INCONSISTENT WITH
EGYPTIAN POSITION AS OF LAST NIGHT WHEN HE LAST IN TOUCH WITH MATTER

HOWEVER HE UNDERTOOK TO MAKE IMMEDIATE INQUIRY IF THERE HAD BEEN
ANY CHANGE. HE CALLED BACK FEW MINUTES LATER TO CONFIRM

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THAT GOE HAS NOT REPEAT NOT AGREED TO TURN OVER THE TERRORIST TO PLO

FOR DISPOSITION. HE THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT THE STORY MAY
DELIBERATELY HAVE BEEN GIVEN OUT IN ORDER TO LULL THE HIJACKERS
INTO BELIEVING THAT THEIR DEMANDS MIGHT BE BEING MET AND THUS
PREVENT THEM FROM TAKING ANY ACTION AGAINST PASSENGERS OR PLANE.

2. SIRRI SUGGESTED THAT I SEE MINISTER LATER IN THE MORNING ABOUT
THE MATTER. PLEASE ADVISE IF DEPARTMENT NOW WISHES ME TO DO SO.
EILTS UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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